

Minutes of the Meeting of Weston Turville Parish Council held on 9th December 2021 at Weston Turville Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Parish Cllrs: M Conolly, G Fincham, M Jarvis, J Paterson, M Simons, C Terry and M Watson
Clerk: Mrs Sarah Copley

<p>21.207 APOLOGIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllrs M Baylis and R Blackmore.</p>	
<p>21.208 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>a) There were no declarations of interest. b) There were no dispensation requests.</p>	
<p>21.209 OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS</p> <p>None present.</p>	
<p>21.210 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 18th November 2021 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
<p>21.211 VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR</p> <p>The Clerk reported that there had been no request for an election and that the Council could now co opt the position. The vacancy had been advertised and applications for co option would be considered at the January meeting.</p>	
<p>21.212 POLICY AND RESOURCES</p> <p>a) The list of payments totalling £12,528.88 was APPROVED.</p> <p>b) Insurance – the correspondence from the insurance company regarding the new facilities was noted and it was agreed to request a quote to include loss and damage cover for the new facilities which would be considered at the January meeting.</p> <p>c) Knitted poppies for Remembrance Day – Cllr Fincham reported that she along with another volunteer were willing to knit more poppies to create a poppy chain to go around the tree for the Remembrance Day Service and asked that the Council consider purchasing wool for this. It was AGREED to allocate a budget of £50 for the wool. It was noted that a local resident had donated 3 balls of wool and thanks recorded to her.</p> <p>d) Breakthrough Communications “Compliant Councils Hub” Following receipt of a freedom of information request, the Clerk had sought advice from BALC who had recommended that the Council subscribe to the above advice service which provides advice, support and guidance for Councils. The cost to subscribe for one year would be £645. It was unanimously AGREED to subscribe to the hub and seek their advice on the Freedom of Information request received on 22nd November.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

<p>21.213 CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>The correspondence received had been circulated and was noted.</p> <p>The draft responses to the two Freedom of Information queries were agreed, with the exception of one question for which guidance would be sought from Breakthrough Communications and their advice followed.</p> <p>The two other emails regarding the orchard were noted and the Clerk was asked to acknowledge them but that no response could be made until the results of the ecological survey were known.</p>	
<p>21.214 DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The date of the next meeting would be Thursday 20th January 2022.</p>	
<p>21.215 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS</p> <p>It was resolved under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.</p>	
<p>21.216 PETANQUE COURT</p> <p>Two tenders had been received to supply and install a five lane petanque court. The tenders were reviewed and it was AGREED to accept the tender from Caloo.</p>	

Signed: _____ Date: 20th January 2022

Appendix 1 – Actions List

Ref	Action	Who	Update / Complete
21.212	Request insurance quote	Clerk	✓
21.212	Arrange subscription to Compliant Council Hub	Clerk	✓
21.213	Obtain advice on FOI request	Clerk	✓
21.216	Contact companies tendering for the petanque court	Clerk	✓